

# Hirakata City Disaster Prevention Information

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## Message from the Mayor

In recent years, due to the unpredictable torrential rains and typhoons that have hit our city, damage from flooding and landslides has occurred on an almost annual basis. Furthermore, in January of 2014, Osaka Prefecture announced the shocking prediction that the number of deaths in a major earthquake in the Nankai Trough — a genuine concern in the near future — may exceed as many as 13 million.

Under such circumstance, Hirakata City is doing its utmost to develop a city that is well equipped in times of disaster, and has a system of disaster prevention and mitigation prepared.

This foreign language version of our Disaster Prevention Information was translated after updating a portion of the Hirakata City Disaster Prevention Information that was revised in April 2015, and it includes content such as that related to earthquakes, flooding of rivers and inland waters, as well as landslide disasters that may occur in our city.

By knowing in advance the kind of dangers that exist in the area in which you live, we hope that it will lead you to be prepared on a daily basis to take the appropriate evacuation action in the event of a disaster.



Takashi Fushimi

### ● Disclaimer

This “Hirakata Disaster Prevention Information” booklet contains important disaster prevention information for the citizens of Hirakata City. The information that is provided here is current as of March 2015, and the maps were created based on data for Hirakata maps that were updated in August 2014. Be aware that the content here may thus differ from any subsequent changes that may have been made to those maps.